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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,  
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to  
the following documents:

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Applicants also wish to call the Examiner's attention to the following co-pending U.S. patent applications: Roy J. Mankovitz U.S. Patent Application No. 09/297,151, filed June 21, 1999, Roy J. Mankovitz U.S. Patent Application No. 09/369,755, filed August 6, 1999, Roy J. Mankovitz U.S. Patent Application No. 10/047,940, filed October 25, 2001, and Roy J. Mankovitz U.S. Patent Application No. 11/405,092, filed August 13, 2002.

In accordance with *Dayco Products Inc. v. Total Containment Inc.*, Fed. Cir., No. 02-1497 (2003), the Examiner is hereby advised that claims having some similarity with the claims pending in the above-identified patent application were rejected by Examiner Ngoc K. Vu in the aforementioned U.S. Patent Application No. 11/405,092. A copy of the rejection is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

The aforementioned documents are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 (submitted in duplicate). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each foreign patent document and non-patent literature document is enclosed herewith.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be: (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicant requests that a copy of Form PTO/SB/08, as considered and initialized by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination. Accordingly, pursuant to 37

C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4), no fee is due in connection with this Supplemental Disclosure Statement. The Director is, however, hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees due in connection with this filing, or to credit any overpayment of the same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 (Order No. 003597-0195). A duplicate copy of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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